

It's fingerprints, not nail polish, that counts

By Maureen O'Hara

"A series of tunnels makes it unnecessary for a Clarke girl ever to go out in the rain. This keeps her hair in place, and that's important! The Clarke girl is determinedly feminine, skilled in the art of looking the part. She dresses well, avoiding extravagance, in neat, feminine styles—skirts, blouses, sweaters, frocks, and nylons. Her makeup is applied with care and restraint—there are no purple eyeliners, no double liplines. At the dinner table she doesn't puzzle over which fork to use—she knows . . . The Clarke girls did not pile sandbags as floods approached last May; they served as women, serving coffee and snacks and entertaining weary workers in the wee hours of the morning with selections from their polished musical variety show 13 X 13."

If this quote from a Clarke publicity pamphlet falls ludicrously short of your goal for Clarke women, let it be noted that it is dated 1965. It is, therefore, quoted out of context because the times in which it was written, the people by

whom it was written, and those for whom it was written have all changed considerably in these past seven years. Today it is not a pipedream, but a reality that a woman has run for President of the United States.

Today Clarke girls can not only wear jeans to class, but can also determine their own hours and design their own majors. Today prospective students would turn and run if presented such a conception of a Clarke girl as is implied in that quote.

If Clarke wishes to continue to adapt itself to the changing context in which it exists, it must first realize the changing definition of woman. Actually the definition hasn't changed, only the priorities it implies. A woman is still a person of the female gender, but the emphasis is now on "person," not on the "gender." A person is one who thinks, and cares, and acts. As a person, a woman must think about both the wealth of knowledge and the extent of challenge that she has inherited. She must examine the fine arts bequeathed to her by previous

generations. She must puzzle over the philosophical questions that have stymied all generations. She must consider the scientific advances that have been made, as well as those still to come. She must investigate the political milieu which orders or disorders her life and the lives of those around her. As a person, a woman must care about how the things she discovers affect her own life, the lives of those closest to her, those unnoticed sitting next to her, and the millions of others starving, hating, dying, being denied opportunity, and in any way needing. As a person, a woman must act upon her knowledge and concern, contributing as educator, statesman, scientist, doctor, laborer, leader, or whatever her personal capabilities enable her to do.

Most of all, as a person, a woman must be free to be unique. She must refuse to be shackled by traditional concepts of her feminine role. Let not another woman be suffocated in the narrow confines of the mother-housewife mold, but let her freely accept or reject

the shared responsibilities of parent and marriage partner. A person refuses to be pigeonholed and categorized by gender.

Clarke will justify its existence as an educational institution for women in today's world, only if its women are fit to inhabit today's world. Today a Clarke woman must puzzle over the world situation, not which fork to use. She must care enough to dirty her fingernails piling sandbags if need be. She must act in the outside world, even at the expense of messing her hair. She must brave the solitary stance of the purple-eyelid-wearer, for she must dare to be different enough to be herself. Clarke will succeed in educating today's women only insofar as it succeeds in educating persons—persons whose individual contributions will have their fingerprints on their world, not their nail polish.

(Editor's note: Maureen O'Hara was selected as the winner in the Long-Range Planning Committee essay contest. Ms. O'Hara will be awarded \$25 for her contribution.)

Liberate the stagnant mind: Give NOW Christmas gifts

What to get the liberated roommate who has everything? With women's new social consciousness, many books now on the market would make a welcome gift for any NOW woman, be it mother, sister or best friend.

Among some of the more popular current books are: Germain Greer's *The Female Eunuch*, an explosive explanation of women in today's society, or the book which is said to have started the whole liberation movement, *Feminine Mystique*, by Betty Friedan. Exploring the social myth that "woman's place is in the home," is Elizabeth Janeway in *Man's World Woman's Place: A Study in Social Mythology*. The *Second Sex* by

Simone de Beauvoir is also an in-depth view of women and the various roles they have accepted as members of "the second sex."

Or for something really contemporary, why not consider a subscription to MS, the newly-formed magazine which has Gloria Steinem as a monthly contributor?

All of these may be found in the Clarke library if a preview reading is desired. Other books are appearing everyday which offer insight and information, both for and against women's lib.

And by the way . . . don't rule out the possibility of giving any of the above mentioned gifts to male friends. The insight and information is for everyone.

Dear Santa,
Please bring us a new
inter-campus bus—we're
squished!! The Tri-Colleges

(Editor's Note: We talked to Santa's helper, Tri-College Executive Board Chairman Dr. Robert Giroux. The board is working on the bus

problem and you never know what Santa and his helpers might come up with over the Christmas holidays! We'll keep you posted.)

Letter defends existence of Black Wing

The north wind doth blow,
And we shall have snow . . .

regardless of popular belief, few of us, if any, fit in that category.

Many Clarkies have expressed to me their personal dislike for the wing by saying that they felt that both the Black and white students would lose out, because by living as a group (although these students chose the words 'segregating ourselves'), we were limiting their opportunity to get to know us and vice versa. I question their sincerity, and if you share these views, I also question your sincerity. Number one, if your concern is with getting to know Blacks or other minority students, it seems strange to me that you would choose to come to Clarke, knowing that its minority enrollment is less than 2 per cent, and in a school of only 600 or so, that's not many.

Number two, why, if you are so-oo-oo concerned about 'integration' have you not raised questions about the recruiting practices of the Admissions Office in regards to minorities? Why haven't you demanded a more racially diverse student population?

Many of you who were here last year had an opportunity to mix and mingle with the Black folks, to get to know us. Did you ever question or even take note of the living arrangements made for the Black freshmen then? When the five Blacks arrived in August of '71, three were given

single rooms, and two were roomed together, but only one student actually asked for a single. Folks, you can't segregate yourself in an already segregated school!!!

Supposedly, many friendships were developed in spite of this. The fact that we have chosen to assert our Blackness, to seek a strength gained only in a cultural interaction through unification, should not be cause for alarm on your part. The formation of the Black Wing does not immediately imply nor remotely imply the organization of a Black take-over, or a violent move to riot. Very personally ladies, I wouldn't waste my time.

My final words are a challenge to those who persist in thinking that Black folk don't need a Black wing. Of my knowledge, Clarke College has never offered a major (or any courses for that matter) in Black Psychology—so what makes you the authority on Black folks and their needs? The fact is, the Emancipation Proclamation was issued decades ago—Blacks no longer (if they ever) need white folks dictating our needs!!! So, for you antiquated Southern Belles, I do forgive you; knowing that you are only human and therefore entitled to a few mistakes—no matter how asinine.

I do suggest though, that we, women of the women's rights movement, products of Clarke's educational system, and adherents

to Christian ethics, liberate ourselves from the racist influences of past decades.

Sincerely yours,

Felicia Flowers

Rm. 129, Black Wing

P.S. Frankly, I don't give a damn whether you are afraid to enter the Black Wing or not. This only reflects hypocrisy and bigotry on your part. But for those of you who can gather the courage or who never felt inhibited from the get-go, the door to our place is not locked, as it has never been.

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Touch someone's life with a smile

By Therese Cummings

A smile is born . . . every Sunday when the St. Vincent de Paul Society visits one of the aged and nursing homes in the Dubuque area. The Clarke and Loras students spend part of their afternoon bringing a little cheer to the octogenarian generation.

How's it done? Through a little conversation, smiles, and

music — songs for everyone — Irish, German and French, accompanied by guitars and a harmonica. You needn't worry about your voice quality; it's the enthusiasm that really counts.

Happiness is not only given but received by the students. There is satisfaction in knowing that because of you a smile came to another, and you've Reached Another Person.



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